

bylaws as proposed were still subject to change, and thus it was possible that the expense would be borne twice, since if changes were made to the proposed bylaws, new copies would have to be printed as well. He added that he always has the bylaws with him at any meeting, and that every member is welcome to read them.

Mrs. Colville then stated that it was her belief that the Society is no longer merely a Carbonate organization, but has achieved national prominence, and thus cannot act in this manner.

Mr. Jomaine stated that should the members wish it, he would be quite willing to resign the office of Secretary, and explained that if the members felt he were doing anything improper, he wished it pointed out to him, and would offer his resignation. He noted that the idea behind the revision of the bylaws as proposed by the officers was to allow the Society to function more smoothly, and at the same time, accomplish a far greater number of planned projects. He stated that it was his belief that the officers had done their best to make the proposals fair, and that he believed that the effort had been successful, particularly in light of the fact that none of the officers had had any experience in writing bylaws, other than for the Society.

Dr. Powell then stated that any member who wished a copy of the proposed revisions for study should request one from him, and he would see that they were so provided. He suggested that the Society meet at 7:30 on 2 August, at which time the entire proposed new bylaws would be read, and changed further if needed. All present agreed, and Mr. Jomaine provided Dr. Powell with the copy of the proposed revisions that he had prepared, so that copies could be made for any member so desiring.

Howard Yerson, the Treasurer of the Society, then noted that the former sign from the Presbyterian Church was available for \$100. It was suggested that the Society might be interested in its purchase, but financial considerations were thought to prevent such an acquisition.

Marion Essif then reported that the Pioneer Minutes, as written by Mr. Jomaine, have been recorded at WQJ/WLSP. He stated that they are available for use to any announcer who wishes to use them as Public Service Announcements. He also requested that Mr. Jomaine provide four more scripts. Mr. Jomaine said he would do so as soon as possible. Mr. Essif also noted his mother would soon be making a donation of a filing cabinet to the Society.

Jim Hepburn then stated that a number of people had asked him when the Society would be sponsoring another concert. Dr. Powell replied that while it is not yet definite, it is hoped that such a concert can be arranged for the Christmas season.

Dr. Powell then gave a brief report on the final visit of the representative from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. In essence, he explained, the PHMC is satisfied with the quality of the work, although several details still need to be taken care of. He added that the Society will inform Carbonate City Council at their group's next regular meeting.

He then described the improvements to the area around the PHMC historical marker at City Hall. He said that in order to avoid blacktopping of the area, under the direction of Joseph Pascoe it will be landscaped. It was noted that Steve Oliver,

are both working very well under his direction. He noted that Miss Maddige has offered to help at Pioneer Days, and asked if the Society would need workers in the winter months. Dr. Powell commented that due to peer pressure, it is somewhat difficult for young people to become involved in an organization such as the Society.

Mr. Pascoe suggested that the Society take Mr. Ruddy and Miss Maddige to dinner. Mr. Klimekiewicz offered to work out the details.

Dr. Powell then requested that Mr. Grosvenor read the proposed text of the marker to be emplaced on the Adams Building, the former Miners' and Mechanics' Bank. Mr. Grosvenor read several verses, to wit, the bank closed on 12 May, 1931, but it did not vacate the premises immediately. Instead, he explained, the bank occupied the structure for several years afterward, while liquidation proceedings were in progress. He added that those proceedings were under the direction of George Olsen.

Mr. Grosvenor also noted that he had found a number of errors in the 125th Anniversary book, prepared by the old Society, namely, the 1917 Welcome Back caption was really in 1919, the float is actually in a Liberty Bond Parade, and that the wording "We Must Fight" indicates the error.

For the record, it is noted that:

- the Society profited by \$400 on the recent 50-50 raffle.
- the subjects under consideration for the next series of Pioneer Minutes include the Swing Theatre, Carbonate City Hall, the first mine in Carbonate, and the Works Brothers.

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at 9:50.

Robert J. Jomaine, Secretary

of Mammelstein's, has offered to donate shrubs for the project, and that Torch Lumber will supply the wood chips.

Mrs. Colville then stated that the Memorial Park should contain flowering bushes and more benches, along with the reinstallation of the original type lights.

Mr. Grosvenor then commented that the condition of Garvity Park was deplorable. He stated that it looked somewhat like a hayfield.

Mrs. Colville continued that Jine Chief William Burrell had told her that he would prevent the moving of the Society's flowerboxes out of Memorial Park during Pioneer Days. Mr. Pascoe noted that Mrs. Colville had met with Mayor Charlotte Mero, and requested her help in the park, particularly with Pioneer Days.

Dr. Powell then said that the Society must soon make final plans for its activities during the event. He stated that there are simply not enough members who wish to become involved. It was decided that at the 2 August meeting, formal plans for the lectures and presentations, as well as exhibits, will be made.

John Klimekiewicz, Acting First Vice-President of the Society, then mentioned that the next PHMC marker is presently in the basement of City Hall, since it was impossible to install one the appointed day due to the inclement weather. He commented that the marker is nicer than most, in that it has a separate frame. He also stated that Russell Powell was to be commended for the quality of his marker restoration.

A discussion then took place as to the best possible location for the reinstallation of the marker. Mr. Klimekiewicz pointed out that the text must be readable, so the proper selection of a site was of utmost importance. Possible sites mentioned included near the PHMC and either of the highrises. Dr. Powell said that he felt that one of the highrises would be the best site, and that he had spoken to Jim Ruddy, Director of the Housing Authority, who said that either one would be acceptable. It was pointed out that one distinct advantage of the highrises is that they are well-maintained, with no "waist-high grass." Mrs. Colville said that Harrisburg must be consulted, since the signs belong to the state. She also commented that the South Highrise was not a good site, since the young people who congregate in that area would inevitably destroy it. Mr. Grosvenor stated that he would bet \$5.00 that, if installed at the South Highrise, the sign would immediately be vandalized with spray-paint.

Dr. Powell replied that much more is blamed on teenagers than they deserve, and that it was his belief that the sign would be entirely safe there. He went on to say that the problems are "blown out of proportion" and that the senior citizens have caused as much damage to the flowerboxes as the teenagers. He pointed out that many senior citizens are in the habit of sitting in the flowerboxes, and get extremely angry when asked to move. Mr. Pascoe added that he had seen a number of carefully removed flowers, and expressed doubt that such an act would be the work of teenagers. He also suggested that Dr. Powell and Mr. Ruddy decide where to install the marker.

Also on the subject of teenagers, Mr. Klimekiewicz noted that the two summer employees of the Society under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) have been extremely diligent workers. Brenda Maddige and Gerald Ruddy, according to Mr. Klimekiewicz,

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Carbonate Historical Society and Museum, Inc. was held at 7:30 pm, 2 August, 1984 in Room 301, Carbonate City Hall and Courthouse.

In the absence of the Society's Secretary, Robert J. Jomaine, minutes of the meeting were recorded by Hank Loftus, Second Vice-President, and John Klimekiewicz, Acting First Vice-President.

The first topic of discussion was the proposed concert-fundraiser, that Vincent Bilotta and Bob Judge, et al, have offered to coordinate. This would be an all-day extravaganza, probably in McDonnell's Grove, and according to Mr. Bilotta, could generate as much as \$10 to 15 000 for the Society. After a discussion on the matter Susan Stephens made a motion against it, seconded by Jim Hepburn. The members present concurred, and the vote against it was unanimous.

It was then noted that the bonds which had been awarded as prizes in the recent Architectural Drawing Contest sponsored by the Society had not yet been delivered. S. Robert Powell, President of the Society, asked for a volunteer to make the arrangements to get the winners together for a presentation. It was, however, ultimately decided to merely send the bonds to the students, rather than have a formal presentation.

On the matter of the Society's recent 50-50 raffle, Miss Stephens, who serves as the Raffle Chairman for the Society, reported that she is now engaged in the process of getting the winners together so that the prizes may be awarded.

Pioneer Days activities by the Society were then discussed. Mr. Klimekiewicz gave a brief rundown of the museum layout and lecture series, and Mr. Hepburn suggested that the Society begin plans for the 1985 event in the near future.

A report on the Job Training Partnership Act was then given. Dr. Powell commended Jerry Ruddy and Brenda Maddige for the quality of the work that they were performing for the Society under the program, and added that Mr. Klimekiewicz should be commended as well, since he is acting as supervisor. It was noted that the area around the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission marker, alongside of City Hall, has been landscaped, and that letters of thanks should be sent to both Torch Lumber and Mammelstein's, who had donated materials for the project.

Dr. Powell then announced the contents of the next issue of the newsletter, namely a list of members and accomplishments of the Society.

Dr. Powell also suggested that the Society's next objectives should be the reinstallation of the fountain in the park, re-roofing of the tower on City Hall, and another concert in the park. Jean Colville, speaking as Carbonate Shade Tree Commissioner, stated that lights should be installed in the park as well as the fountain, and more benches should be put in place. Mr. Pascoe noted that more trash containers should be placed in the area, and Miss Stephens offered to speak to

Frank "Juicy" Mancuso, Carbonate Director of Public Works, on the matter.

Louise Anderson then suggested that ads be placed in the Swanton Times and Tribune, and posters placed in area stores, in order to publicize the Society's activities. Mr. Pascoe suggested the creation of a calendar of events, and Miss